

April 7, 2015  
Antelope County Board  
Neligh, Nebraska

The Antelope County Board of Supervisors convened in regular session on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 9:03 AM in the County Supervisor's Room, Antelope County Courthouse Annex, Neligh, Nebraska. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Schwager, with the following board members responding to roll call: Kerkman, Schindler, Brandt, Henery, Williby, Schwager and Bolling. Chairman Schwager stated that the open meeting laws are posted on the east wall of the Supervisors' room with more copies available at the County Clerk's Office.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the four county newspapers, legal newspapers printed and in general circulation in Antelope County, Nebraska as shown by proof of publication filed in the County Clerk's office. Agenda for said meeting was sent to all members of the County Board of Supervisors.

Correspondence was reviewed: NMC Fluid Analysis Laboratory Report; NIRMA Safety Shorts; Berggren Architects, Sta-bilt Construction Co, The Road Guy and TopKote acceptance of Antelope County Specs, Murphy Tractor expiration of Tractor model 772G; Cyber-attack BC/BS; State of Nebraska Emergency Management Correspondence; Memo form Keri Kreiser, Madison National Life regarding Life Insurance Additions; NIRMA correspondence regarding Supervisor Harlan Brandt; Federal Highway Administration Letter (copy given to Brian McDonald per recommendation of Supervisors); BARCO Municipal Products Advertisement; NMC letter requesting continued patience as they continue to implement their current sales service program; Western Surety Company Bond for City of Tilden City Clerk; NDOR Bridge Inspections, none listed; Beckenhauer Construction Advertisement; Village of Clearwater abandoned or unlicensed vehicle Village Ordinance; City of Neligh request for the County to choose ACE; Northeast Community College graduate Program; Nebraska Safety Center motorcycle class; Great Plains Internet is up and running. Supervisor Henery signed letter to reprint lost check. Supervisor Williby has not had contact with Mr. Loren Haselhorst (Christensen Farms) regarding temporary pipe over road,

Clerk of the District Court Fee Report reviewed and put on file.

Treasurers Miscellaneous and Fund Reports were reviewed and put on file.

All supervisors were given a safety audit report for them to compare in their respective barns and to comply and bring written results back to the county clerk's office to return report to Tim Baxter at NIRMA. These audits were original to 2013, they need to be updated and made current, with signage, clearing/cleaning and completing all tasks.

Motion by Kerkman, seconded by Brandt to accept the application for permit submitted by Lynn Selting to place a permanent electric line beneath 839<sup>th</sup> Road crossing at the SW1/4 of Section 3-23-6, to the NW1/4 of Section 10, Township 23 North, Range 6 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Antelope County, Nebraska, Lynn Selting - owner, power line will run center pivot line will cross approximately 795 feet east of 525<sup>th</sup> Avenue; all work to be done according to State and County Specs. Those voting aye: Williby, Henery, Brandt, Schindler, Bolling, Schwager and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Henery, seconded by Kerkman to approve the application for permit submitted by NCPPD to place a permanent electric line beneath 532<sup>nd</sup> Avenue crossing at the SE1/4 of Section 14-28-5, to the SE1/4 of Section 15, Township 28 North, Range 5 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Antelope County, Nebraska, Kevin Rafert - owner, power line will supply electric service to new grain bin site and will cross approximately 1580 feet north of 867<sup>th</sup> Road; all work to be done according to State and County Specs. Those voting aye: Williby, Henery, Brandt, Schindler, Bolling, Kerkman and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Henery, seconded by Kerkman to approve the application for permit submitted by Gary Thiele to replace a permanent pipeline beneath 848<sup>th</sup> Road crossing at the SE¼ of Section 23-25-8, to the NE1/4 of Section 26, Township 25 North, Range 8 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Antelope County, Nebraska, Gary Thiele - owner, pipeline will replace pipe that is currently in place and rusted, it will cross 848<sup>th</sup> Road; all work to be done according to State and County specs. Those voting aye: Williby, Henery, Brandt, Schindler, Bolling and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

9:30 AM Bids for Dump Trailer were opened. Only one bid was received. Bid from Charles Blass Welding, LLC, Early, Iowa. Bid opened. Motion by Henery, seconded by Williby to reject all bids at this time. Voting aye: Kerkman, Williby, Henery, Bolling, Brandt and Schwager. Schindler was out of room for vote. Motion passed.

Motion by Supervisor Henery, Seconded by Supervisor Kerkman to approve Orchard Historical Society, Rex Theatre; \$1466.00 Improvement Grant for Ceiling Tiles in the Rex Theatre, as recommended by the Visitors Committee. Voting aye: Bolling, Brandt, Kerkman, Schindler, Williby, Henery, and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Wiliby, seconded by Supervisor Henery to approve Orchard Historical Society Promotional Grant of \$300.00 as approved by Antelope County Visitor Committee, for advertising expense. Voting aye: Bolling, Brandt, Kerkman, Schindler, Williby, Henery, and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Schinder, seconded by Supervisor Brandt to approve Improvement funds of \$1500.00 to the Neligh Ball Board for the installation of Agrilime on the north ball field in Riverside Park, Neligh. Voting aye: Bolling, Brandt, Kerkman, Schindler, Williby, Henery, and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

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Motion by Supervisor Brandt, seconded by Supervisor Schindler to approve \$1299.00 Improvement Fund for improvements to environmental controls at Pierson Wildlife Museum as recommended by the Improvement Committee. Voting aye: Bolling, Brandt, Kerkman, Schindler, Williby, Henery, and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Henery, seconded by Supervisor Kerkman to appoint Deb Warren and Carolyn Pedersen to a four year term to Antelope County Visitors Committee beginning May 1, 2015. Voting aye: Henery, Bolling, Brandt, Kerkman, Schindler, Williby and Schwager. Nays none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Supervisor Henery, Seconded by Supervisor Brandt to approve the Minutes of the March 3<sup>rd</sup> and March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Supervisor Meetings. Voting aye: Bolling, Brandt, Kerkman, Schindler, Williby, Henery, and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Henery, Seconded by Supervisor Bolling to approve the Minutes of the February 10, 2015 and March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Board of Equalization Meetings. Voting aye: Bolling, Brandt, Kerkman, Schindler, Williby, Henery, and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

9:45 AM Opened bids for 2015 Pickup for District 6. One bid was sealed and another was faxed. Because it was not “sealed” only one bid was considered. Bid received from Courtesy Ford, Norfolk, Nebraska. Motion by Brandt, seconded by Kerkman to reject all bids and advertise again for bids. After discussion of the length of the bid run a motion was made by Brandt, seconded by Schindler to rescind the motion. Voting aye: Brandt, Schindler, Kerkman, Williby, Henery, Bolling and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried. After more discussion Brandt made a motion to table bids till a later date, seconded by Schindler. Voting aye: Brandt, Bolling, Williby, Henery, Schindler, Kerkman, and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

Met with Mark Headrick regarding Washington National Life Insurance. He is selling a supplemental insurance plan recently made public for Cancer, Heart and Accident Insurance. At this time, he cannot sell his product on a door to door basis. Approval was granted for Mr. Headrick to meet with the employees on a volunteer basis only on Friday, April 10, 2015.

10:10 Opening of Oakdale South Bridge Bids. Brian McDonald, Antelope County Road Superintendent, opened the only sealed bid from JJK Construction, LLC, Lincoln, Nebraska. The bid for \$300,706.45 was \$100,000.00 over the estimation of JEO Consulting. Discussion held regarding the project and it urgency. After discussion, motion by Henery, seconded by Bolling to reject all bids at this time and to relet bids in September. Voting aye: Bolling, Kerkman, Williby, Schindler, Henery, Brandt, and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

Brian McDonald, JEO Consulting also discussed with the supervisors Invenergy’s plan or Road Change Approval as set in the “Prairie Breeze II Wind Energy Project County Road Improvements.” These plans were proposed by A & E Consulting Group, Inc., and approved by JEO Consulting Group. Discussion ensued with their heavy loads and continual use, Brian suggested the improvement would be necessary and difficult for the county to manage. Motion by Schindler, seconded by Brandt to accept plans as set forth by A & E Consulting Group, Inc, and to allow Invenergy (Prairie Breeze) to begin constructions. Voting aye Schindler, Brandt, Bolling, Williby, Kerkman, Henery, and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

Mr. McDonald also discussed some other issues with county roads. He has an addition to the One and Six Year Plan. Resolution to follow. Wondered about the speed signs south of Neligh by the bridge, Supervisor Henery said they are in place. Supervisor Kerkman’s intersection removing trees good idea, and possible stop sign in the “T” intersection.

Chairman Schwager signed 2 warrants for payroll. Road and Bridge and General.

Sheriff Moore met with the board regarding Inmate Medical bills of over \$15,000.00. His budget cannot handle this. Sheriff Moore also noted he sees a pattern of this, and is not sure how to handle in the future as well. Motion by Bolling, seconded by Brandt to pay \$801.00 & \$14,457.50 Inmate medical bills out of county miscellaneous general. Voting aye: Kerkman, Henery, Brandt, Bolling, Williby, Schindler, and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

Sheriff Moore also met with the Supervisors regarding long stay Inmate charging. Currently, most of the facilities are charging \$50.00 a day for inmates boarding in correctional facilities outside of their jurisdiction. Sheriff Moore was wondering if he could offer a sliding scale, if the inmate was housed in Antelope County for greater than 60 days the rate would be \$40.00/night; if the inmate was in for greater than 30 days the rate would be \$45.00/night and any time less than 30 days it would be the \$50.00/night charge. This would hopefully generate interest and they would use Antelope County Law Enforcement Center to help pay down the debt. Sheriff Moore is trying to figure out the cost of keeping a prisoner daily. Motion by Henery seconded by Kerkman to allow Sheriff Moore to use the sliding scale as stated above. Voting aye: Kerkman, Henery, Williby, Bolling, Schindler, Brandt, and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried.

Mr. Moore also discussed with the Supervisors the Commissary Account. At present the commissary account is kept by his office, with the charges, receipts and payments all internally. The auditor would like to have the claims approved through the Supervisors. Discussion ensued. It was discussed, and decided the Sheriff’s Office could do a Fee Report on a monthly basis, and that could be reviewed by the Supervisors during their regular monthly meeting. We will look into having a commissary account fund in the 2015-2016 Budget.

Sheriff Moore discussed with the Supervisor’s the mechanicals in the Law Enforcement Facility. He requested the board to consider doing a service contract with Merit Mechanical, to monitor and maintain all of the equipment in the Law Enforcement Facility. (ie. Flow meters and Flow tests) Sheriff Moore has discussed this with current Maintenance employee, Eddie Schindler, who is in agreement. Mr. Moore has Merit Mechanical working on a proposal to maintain and monitor both the Law Enforcement Facility and the Courthouse Building. No action taken.

11:00 Public Hearings for Invenergy and Thiele Dairy, were not published timely enough so no action taken. Mr. Abler, Antelope County Attorney, advised not to proceed. After discussion, with the realization of the cost of this mistake to the entities, Motion by Charlie to have the Public Hearings on Friday, April 17, 2015 at 9:00, providing the Newspapers could get the publication printed for April 8, 2015, seconded by Kerkman. Joan Wright with the Neligh News and Leader agreed to publicize the notice in Wednesday, April 8, 2015 newspaper. Voting aye: Kerkman, Williby, Henery, Schindler, Bolling, Brandt and Schwager. Nays none. Motion carried. Public Hearings will be Thiele Dairy, and Invenergy to follow.

Sheriff Moore requested to discuss the Jail Facility Bonds in the April 14, 2015 meeting. He is still gathering information as to finishing funds.

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Jim Schaefer and Shawn Weingartner from Nebraska Public Power District met with the board regarding the use of the County Roads for their Sub Station Project on 852<sup>nd</sup> Road. They are beginning their project today, and loads of traffic will be using the area they will be using mostly gravel roads where possible. No action taken.

Discussed Panic Buttons in County Offices. When the correctional facility moved in March, the control box for county offices panic buttons was not moved. Options are being research at this time. One option is to contract with an outside source (Lincoln, Nebraska) and they would intern call the Sheriff Office (or 911). Discussion held. Item tabled until April 14, 2015 meeting.

VECTRASPEC agreement was signed. Motion to accept this agreement was made in the March meeting. Agreement was signed by all Supervisors.

Quarterly Veterans Service Officer Report was reviewed and put on file.

Reviewed four applications for District 3 help wanted advertisement. Discussion held. Decision to interview 3 candidates. Interviews will be set for Tuesday, April 14, 2015 for Richard Werner, Shane Voborny, and Robert Michael.

Road Boss discussion held. More research necessary to determine what credentials this individual needs and what we want their job description to be. Project organizer. Item return to agenda for April 14, 2015.  
Receipts reviewed: \$512.98 Refund of Premium Overpayment to Co-opportunity; \$398.00 Overpayment of payment made in June 2012 to Newman Signs;\$207,566.32 Buyback Program; Petty Cash reimbursement \$10.00; \$85.00 Weed Control Conference Refund;\$190.00 Refund Pedersen & Williby Conference Fees; \$51.45 Pop Machine Money; \$30.11 Copies-County Attorney Office; \$10.70 Copies-County Attorney.

County Jail Inspection next week.

Motion by Brandt, seconded by Schindler to adjourn. Voting aye: Bolling, Kerkman, Schindler, Henery, Williby, Brandt and Schwager. Nays none. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 PM.

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman of the Board, Jerald Schwager

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk, Lisa Payne